

ITEM # RESO 08-224  
FISCAL IMPACT: \$80,012.50  
FUNDING SOURCE: CIP Fund  
ACCOUNT: 45-9610-40750-00000-5115  
BUDGET OPENING REQUIRED: No

**ISSUE:**

Cooperative Agreement with Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) and Comcast of Utah to bury existing utility lines on 3500 South.

**SYNOPSIS:**

All utility lines on 3500 South between 2700 West and Bangerter Hwy. will be buried in conjunction with the 3500 South widening project. West Valley City will pay for all additional costs of placing the lines underground, which exceed the cost of relocating overhead facilities outside the new roadway.

**BACKGROUND:**

Under Utah State law, UDOT and utility companies each share 50% of the cost of relocating existing utility lines located on State highways, whenever a widening project necessitates the relocation of these facilities. Placing the utility lines underground is considered a betterment to be done at the City's expense. This agreement states UDOT and Comcast will both pay 50% of the estimated cost of relocating the facilities outside of the roadway. West Valley City is obligated to pay all additional costs of placing the lines underground.

The City's estimated cost for this work is \$80,012.50. The final amount of the City's cost will be based on actual costs incurred at the time of construction. The City's cost cannot exceed \$90,000 without written permission from the City. The City is required to deposit \$80,012.50 with UDOT upon execution of this Agreement.

This agreement is one of several agreements related to burying utilities on this project. An additional cooperative agreement, with UDOT, for other costs associated with burying the power lines and other utilities, will be required. This additional work includes removal of existing improvements, trenching, and installation of conduit. There will also be additional agreements with other utility companies, including Qwest and UTOPIA for burying their facilities. The current estimated cost for all betterment work is within the \$1,500,000 budget.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval of Cooperative Agreement

**SUBMITTED BY:**

Russell B. Willardson, Public Works Director